

## **Amendments to the Specification**

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 19 with the following paragraph.

Figure 4 shows an edge view of an attachment surface of ~~the base of the~~ a clamp part.

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 20 with the following paragraph.

Figure 5 shows an edge view of a clamping surface of ~~the base of the~~ a clamp part.

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 21 with the following paragraph.

As illustrated in Figures 2 and 3, the extending portion 38 of the clamping surface 22 on the first clamp part 12 may conform to the shape of the shoulder portion 60 of the second clamp part 14 so that when the first and second clamp parts 12 and 14 are placed in operative connection to form a clamp 10 the extending portion 38 of the clamping surface 22 of the first clamp part 12 is operative to rest on the shoulder portion 60 of the second clamp part 14, as illustrated in Figure 1. Similarly, an extending portion 38 of the clamping surface 22 on the second clamp part 14 may conform to the shape of the shoulder portion 60 of the first clamp part 12 so that when the first and second clamp parts 12 and 14 are placed in operative connection to form a clamp 10 the extending portion 38 of the clamping surface 22 of the second clamp part 14

is operative to rest on the shoulder portion 60 of the first clamp part 12. In an exemplary embodiment illustrated in Figure 3, the shoulder portion 60 extending along the inner surface 18 of the clamp part 14 from the clamping surface 22 to the attachment surface 20 may begin at a transition 35 between the clamping and extending portions 36 and 38 and end at a point 37. As shown in Figure 1, when the clamp is mounted to the ~~gunnel~~-gunwale 62, the ~~gunnel~~-gunwale 62 extends between end point 37 and the tip 34 of the nose part 28 of each clamp part. Although in this exemplary embodiment, the inner surface 18 of a nose part 28 resembles a symmetrical crescent, other variations will be suitable as well, so long as the nose part 28 and shoulder portion 60 are shaped so that they are operative to distribute a portion of the clamping forces across the shoulders portions 60 and nose parts 28 of the clamp parts 28 when first and second clamp parts 12 and 14 are in operative connection with each other to form a clamp 10. As used herein, shoulder (60) and shoulders (60) have the same meaning as shoulder portion (60) and shoulder portions (60).

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning on page 29, line 7 with the following paragraph.

Further in exemplary embodiment the upper and lower ends ~~444~~464, ~~446~~466 of the projection may include rounded lower and upper surfaces. This exemplary contour of the projection of the end pivot may enable the projection to angularly move within the interior of the support member 402. In this exemplary embodiment, the support member 402 may include a generally rectangular hollow interior. The tapered contour of the projection 440 may enable the projection to pivot a plurality of degrees either clockwise or counter-clockwise with respect to

the longitudinal axis 470 of the support member.

No new matter has been added by these Amendments. Entry of the Amendments to the Specification is respectfully ~~submitted~~requested.